

[*Translation*]**LPG Agency in Etah District of Uttar Pradesh**

2322. DR. MAHADEEPAK SINGH

BHAKYA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of districts in Uttar Pradesh where there is more than one LPG Agency;

(b) the criteria for appointing more than one LPG agency in a district;

(c) whether according to the prescribed criteria, one more cooking gas agency could be allotted in Etah district of Uttar Pradesh; and

(d) if so, the reasons for delay in the appointment of another LPG agency?

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI S. KRISHAN KUMAR):

(a) 53 including Etah.

(b) to (d). New LPG distributorships are

opened in different places as per Marketing Plans, availability of product, etc.

**Sale and purchase of equipments in Coal Sector**

2323. SHRI ARJUN SINGH YADAV:

Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) the expenditure incurred by the Government on new equipment in coal sector, area-wise, during the last three years;

(b) the amount received from the disposal of old equipments area-wise;

(c) whether any irregularities have been detected in their sale and purchase; and

(d) if so, the action taken by the Government against the persons found guilty?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI S.B. NYAMAGOUDA): (a) The expenditure incurred by the subsidiaries of Coal India Ltd. on procurement of new equipments, company-wise, during the last three years is as follows:-

(Rs. in crores)

<i>Company</i>	<i>1988-89</i>	<i>1989-90</i>	<i>1990-91</i>
ECL	65.86	99.93	122.94
BCCL	30.60	34.24	23.65
CCL	34.55	91.82	90.23
NCL	255.31	245.12	189.96
WCL	81.09	95.66	80.33
SECL	108.35	97.21	120.22